FIRSTALL URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Firstall,
Nr Leeds.

Medical Officer's Report for the year ending
December 31st 1920.

To. The Chairman and Councillors for the Urban District
of Firstall.

GENTLEMEN.

I have pleasure in submitting for your consideration my Third Annual Report on the Vital Statistics for your District for the year ending December 31st 1920.

Natural & Social Conditions.

The average altitude of the district is about 400ft above sea level, the area being 1234 acres. The soil is mainly of a clay character and the industries, Woollen Manufacturing and Coal Mining.

Population.

Census 1911. 7117.
The 1920 population is estimated by the Registrar General for the purpose of calculating the Births and Deaths rate as being 7622.

Births.

The births registered during 1920 number 168 of these 78 were Males and 90 Females, 10 being illegitimate.
Birth Rate 22.00 per 1000 per annum, which is 8.14, greater than the rate for 1919. The birth rate for the total population of England & Wales is 25.4 for 1920.

Deaths.

The nett deaths registered during the year were 89 of which 41 were Males and 48 Females.
Death Rate. 11.65 per 1000 per annum which is 4.17 less than the preceeding year.

Infantile Mortality.

The number of deaths registered under one year of age was 18. This gives a rate of 107 per 1,000 infants born during the year. Last years figure was 86 per 1,000 born.

Phthisis Death Rate.

3 deaths were registered. Rate 0.39 per 1000 per annum.

Chest Diseases other than Phthisis.

8 deaths were registered, Rate 1.04 per 1,000 per annum.

Zymotic Diseases.

3 deaths excluding Influenza, were registered as due to this cause, Rate o,39 per 1,000 per annum

Cancer.

Caused 6 deaths during the year, Rate 0.78 per 1,000 per annum.

Infectious Diseases.

Scarlet Fever.

12 cases of the disease were notified, 11 cases were removed to Hospital, and one case was isolated and treated at home. There were no fatal cases.

Diphtheria.

6 cases were notified and all removed to Hospital, one case was fatal.

Enteric Fever.

Two were notified, one of which proved fatal. Both cases were treated in the Hospital. Death Rate, 0.13 per 1,000 per annum.

Erysiplas.

4 cases of this disease were notified and there was no death.

Tuberculosis.

12 cases of Tuberculosis of the lungs were notified during the year. These cases were refered to, and dealt with by the County Tuberculosis Officer, in his clinic at the Councils Offices:- Suitable cases being sent to Santoria.

Venereal Disease.

Advantage is being taken of the clinic established for the purpose of treating these diseases at Dewsbury Infirmary.

Disinfection in all infectious cases was carried out by your Sanitary Inspector, bedding and clothing being taken to the Oakwell Joint Hospital for this purpose.

Schools.

The classrooms, playgrounds and conveniences, are kept in a satisfactory condition.

Water Supply.

During the greater part of the year the water supply was only at very low pressure in the higher parts of the district, but never at any time was there an absolute defeciency.

Tuberculosis Animals.

No seisures on this account.

Cowsheds & Dairies.

(26) and all satisfactory.

Slaughter Houses.

(7) and all satisfactory that are in use.

Milk Supply,

Quality. good generally.
Quantity. A plentifull supply was available.

Offensive Trades.

There is only one, a knackers yard in Huddersfield Road which has on each occasion of inspection been found in a satisfactory condition.

Scavenging.

See Sanitary Inspector's Report.

Sewage Dusposal.

Sewage is disposed of at (1) Smithies by the Aluminoferric Precipitation process and (2) at Howden Clough where treatment is by Septic Tank and Filtration Beds.

The Isolation Hospital at Oakwell provides adequate accommodation for all infectious cases arising in the district.

Housing & Town Planning.

Owing to the considerable increase in the population and the absolute cessation of house building during the past five or six years, there is now a considerable overcrowding in the district. Unfortunately very little can be done to remedy this state of affairs until the Housing Scheme, which you have now well in hand, is completed.

I, am, Gentlemen.

Your obedient Servant.

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TABLE 1.

YEAR.	Population Est to Middle of each year.	BIRTHS. Uncorrected No.	Nett. No.	Nett. RATE.	Total deaths registered in Districts. No.	Total deaths registered in Districts. Rate.	Transferable Deaths. of non-residents in the district.	Transferable Deaths. of residents not registered in the district.	Nett Deaths belonging to the District. Under 1 yr. No.	Nett Deaths belonging to the District. Under 1 yr. Rate per 1000 nett Births.	Nett Deaths belonging to the District. At all ages. No.	Nett Deaths belonging to the District. At all ages. Rate.
1911. Census yr.	7117	161	161	22.62	141	19.81	13.	13	37	230	141	19.81
1914.	7250	140	140	19.31	110	15.17	20	6	16	113	96	12.24
1915.	7250	154	154	21.24	132	18.20	21	14	21	136	125	17.24
1916.	7250	127	127	17.51	134	18.4	20	9	9	70	123	16.96
1917.	7250	118	118	16.27	109	15.04	10	20	24	202	119	16.42
1918.	B 7507) D 6700)	119	119	15.9	117	17.49	7	10	10	84	120	17.9
1919.	B 7636) D 7330)	105	105	13.86	101	13.78	6	21	9	86	116	15.82
1920.	7622	168	168	22.00	89	11.65	10	10	18	107	89	11.65

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INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING 1920.

TABLE 2.

DISEASE.	JAN.	FEB.	MCH.	APL.	MAY.	JUNE.	JULY.	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEc.	TOTAL.
Scarlet Fever.	3	2		1	1	1	1		2		1		12
Diphtheria.							1	1	2	1	1		6
Enteric Fever .		1									1		2
Erysipilas.					1		1	1			1		4
Tuberculosis, Pulm)	1	1	2	4				1	1	1	1		12
Other)						1		1					2
Pneumonia.			2	2							1		5
BIRTHS.													
Males	8.(1)	3.	6.	6.	7.(1)	7.(2)	5.	6.(1)	4.	13.(1)	6.	7.	78.
Females. (Illegitimate in brackets)	7.	14.	10.	8.	11.(2)	3.	6.	7.	8.(1)	7.	7.(1)	2.	90.
											Total.		168.

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TABLE 3. 1920.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Males.	Females.	under 1.yr.	1-2 yrs.	2-5 yrs.	5-15 yrs.	15-25 yrs.	25-45 yrs.	45-65 yrs	over 65 years.
Enteric Fever.	1.						1			
Whooping Cough.		1	1							
Diphtheria.		1			1					
Influenza.		1					1			
Erysipilas		1	1							
Pulmonary T.B.		3					1	2		
Meningitis T.B.	1.	1		1		1				
Cancer	3	3							5	1
Rheumatic Fever.		1							1	
Meningitis.	1					1				
Organic Heart Disease.	2	5		1					3	3
Bronchitis.	3	3	3					1		2
Pneumonia.	3	2	2			1			1	1
Other Respiratory Diseases.	2								2	
Nephritis.	1	1								2
Congenital Debility.	4	7	11							
Violence.		1			1					
Suicide	1	1							1	1
Other Defined Diseases	19	16			1	2		2	12	18
Total.	41.	48.	18.	2.	3.	5.	3.	5.	25.	28.

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Table 4. 1920.

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

1920 NETT DEATHS FROM STATED CAUSES AT VARIOUS AGES UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

Cause of death.	Under 1 week.	1-2 Wks.	2-3 Wks.	3-4 Wks.	Total under 4 Wks.	4 Wks to 3 Mths.	3 Mths to 6 Mths.	6 Mos. to 9. Mos.	9 Mos. to 12 Mos.	Total deaths under 1 year.
Erysipelas.			1.							1.
Whoopingcough.						1.				1.
Bronchitis.						2.	1.			3.
Pneumonia.									2.	2.
Premature-birth	7.		1.	1.						9.
Debility.			1.				1.			2.
TOTALS.	7.		3.	1.		3.	2.		2.	18.

Nett Births registered during Calendar Year.

Legitimate	158.
Illegitimate	10.
Total.	168.

Nett Deaths registered during Claendar Year.

Legitimate infants.	17.
Illegitimate infants.	1.
Total.	18.

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SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31-12-1920.

To:- The Chairman and Members of the Sanitary Committee.

Gentlemen:-

I have much pleasure in presenting to you the Annual Report of the work carried out in the Sanitary Department for the year ending 31st December 1920.

NUISANCES.

Choked & Defective Drains,	16
Houses not connected to Sewer,	4
Defective Water Closet,	1
do. Sink waste pipes.	2
Insanitary privies.	29
do. Tub closet	1
Open ashpits,	3
No seperate closet accommodation for sexes.	1
Ashpits with broken doors,	4
Water Closets not properly vehtilated,	2
Defective Roofs,	2
Workshop wants limewashing	1
Accumulation Manure,	2
Piggeries dilapidated & not properly drained,	2
do. too near dwelling Houses.	4

30 Houses were disinfected after cases of Infectious disease.

SCAVENGING.

MONTH.	Number emptied.		Loads Trade Refuse	Loads other Refuse.		Loads to Tip.		Gullies emptied.
	Ashpits.	Bins.	Cart.	Cart	Motor.	Cart.	Motor.	
Jan.	84	1991	28	133		153		384
Feb.	181	1594	17	216		233		767
Mch.	204	1524	26	218		261		767
April.	138	1876	26	138	7	175	34	541
May.	221	1816	25	160	13	132	56	774
June.	204	1856	31	147	23	156	37	773
July.	250	1997	26	222	7	172	13	863
Aug.	215	1725	15	168	16	148	36	758
Sept.	260	2081	23	214	29	57	50	878
Oct.	348	2182	22	211	33	72	62	1047
Novr.	235	1879.	20	136	21	59	49	756
Decr.	226	2193	10	178	9	84	55	690
Totals.	2,566.	22714.	269.	2141.	158.	1703.	392.	8998.

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SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31-12-1940.

To:- The Chairman and Members of the Sanitary Committee.

GENTLEMEN -

I have much pleasure in presenting to you this Annual Report of the work carried out in the Sanitary Department for the year ending 31st December 1940.

NUISANCES.

Choked & Defective Drains.	16
Houses not connected to Sewer.	4
Defective Water Closet.	1
do. Disk water pipes.	2
Insufficient privies.	45
do. Tub closets	1
Open cesspits.	2
No a Fourth closet accommodation for sex.	1
Defective main drains.	4
Water Close Set. Defective.	2
Dirty Yards.	3
do. Too near dwellings. Houses.	4

50 Houses were distributed first copies of Infectious Diseases.

SUMMARY.

Nature of Work.	Number of Visits.	Number of Inspections.	Number of Notices Issued.	Number of Notices Complied with Before Service.	Number of Notices Complied with After Service.	Number of Notices Complied with Before Court.	Number of Notices Complied with After Court.	Number of Notices Outstanding.
Jan.	64	1341	21	123		123		404
Feb.	171	1501	17	210		203		727
Mch.	204	1234	34	218		241		727
April.	118	1375	22	139	7	172	24	641
May.	221	1414	25	180	15	122	36	774
June.	204	1254	31	147	23	156	27	773
July.	220	1207	24	220	7	172	13	823
Aug.	215	1725	15	158	16	144	24	756
Sept.	280	2001	23	214	23	27	20	872
Oct.	314	1234	21	221	15	72	22	1047
Nov.	123	1270	20	115	21	80	27	756
Dec.	122	1203	10	114	8	24	25	880
Totals.	2571.	20033.	243	2141.	180.	1703.	223.	8829.

CLOSET AND ASHPIT ACCOMMODATION.

Description.	Number at end of 1920.	Alterations during 1920.
Privy Middens.	366	3 open abolished, 2 wet abolished. 4 Wet converted into dry Ashpits.
Privies to above.	594	24 abolished.
Dry AshPits.	35	1 abolished. 4 additional.
Sanitary Bins	410	21 additional.
Pail Closets.	16	1 abolished.
Water closets.	655	30 additional.
Waste water closets.	20	

SEWERAGE & SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

During the year satisfactory effluents have been turned out at both sewage works. It will be advisable to renew the filtering media at one bed at the Smithies, also one at Howden Clough.

Four houses have been connected to the sewer which formerly discharged into a water course.

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NEW BUILDINGS.

3 Woodden Army Huts have been converted into dwellings at Howden Clough.

The foundation stones for the first block of houses were laid in December.

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Council Offices,
Birstall.
April 1st 1921.